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# **Control Information**

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Signature: SNR-Signature Not Required Signature Date: N/A

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**Subject:** Daily Reading File - Deep sadness from Administrator's resignation; All the best

**Instructions:** For Your Information -- No action required

Instruction Note: N/A
General Notes: N/A

CC: OEAEE - Office of External Affairs and Environmental Education

## **Lead Information**

Lead Author: N/A

### **Lead Assignments:**

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# **Supporting Information**

**Supporting Author:** N/A

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Dear Ms. Jackson,

It is with deep sadness that I learned of your resignation from the Obama administration. Your leadership has been instrumental in many of the joint activities between the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP). Together, we launched the first-ever Memorandum of Understanding between UNEP and the U.S. EPA, the partnership for Clean Fuels and Vehicles, and the Global Mercury Partnership.

I still remember your participation at the 26th Session of the UNEP Governing Council Meeting and Global Ministerial Environmental Forum in Nairobi, where your remarks reminded us all of the linkages between the environment, human health, and the economy.

Because of your service, the United States and the world are better prepared to tackle today's environmental challenges. I am honoured to have you as a colleague, and wish you the best in your future endeavours.

Yours sinceretÿ

Achim Steiner Executive Director

The Honourable Lisa Jackson **Environmental Protection Agency** Ariel Rios Building 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. Washington, DC 20460 USA

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# **Correspondence Management System**

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### Citizen Information

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Constituent: N/A

Committee: N/A Sub-Committee: N/A

### **Control Information**

Control Number:AX-13-000-1498Alternate Number:N/AStatus:For Your InformationClosed Date:N/ADue Date:N/A# of Extensions:0

Letter Date: Jan 28, 2013 Received Date: Feb 4, 2013

Addressee:AD-AdministratorAddressee Org:EPAContact Type:LTR (Letter)Priority Code:NormalSignature:SNR-Signature Not RequiredSignature Date:N/A

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Subject: Daily Reading File - Thank you for your leadership on Pebble Mine

**Instructions:** For Your Information -- No action required

Instruction Note: N/A
General Notes: N/A

CC: OEAEE - Office of External Affairs and Environmental Education

OW - Office of Water -- Immediate Office

### **Lead Information**

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Jacqueline Leavy	OEX	Forward control to R10	Feb 4, 2013

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NATURAL RESOURCES DEFENSE COUNCIL

January 28, 2013

Administrator Lisa Jackson U.S. Environmental Protection Agency 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., N.W. Washington, DC 20460

Re: Thank you for your leadership on Pebble Mine

Dear Administrator Jackson:

On behalf of the Natural Resource Defense Council ("NRDC") and our 1.4 million members and activists, I write today to thank you for your leadership and work to protect Bristol Bay, Alaska. I commend you for listening, and responding, to the request from tribes, residents, commercial fishing interests, business owners, churches, sportsmen's groups, chefs and restaurant owners, jewelers, investors, and conservation organizations who asked EPA to use its authority to stop the Pebble Mine.

Under the mantle of your dedicated leadership, EPA's talented staffers conducted a scientific assessment of the impacts of large-scale mining – like the proposed Pebble Mine – on the Bristol Bay watershed. Released last year and currently undergoing peer review and final revision, EPA's "Assessment of Potential Mining Impacts on Salmon Ecosystems of Bristol Bay, Alaska" ("Watershed Assessment") provides a detailed analysis of the Bristol Bay watershed's natural resources and the half a billion dollar annual economic benefits associated with those resources – including the largest wild salmon fishery in the world. Even more remarkable, EPA did it in the face of unrelenting political assault from mining proponents and GOP lawmakers.

Your dedicated leadership will be missed, but you leave behind an extraordinary legacy. The Watershed Assessment provides more than enough information to find that large-scale mining in the Bristol Bay watershed would pose harm to the watershed's natural resources and the economic benefits associated with those resources. Which is why we continue to urge EPA to initiate action under section 404(c) of the Clean Water Act to stop the Pebble Mine.

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Thank you for standing up for the environment. Thank you for standing up to mining companies and their political allies in Washington. And thank you for working to protect the Bristol Bay watershed and the communities, salmon, and wildlife that depend on it for survival.

We owe you a great debt of thanks and wish you well in all your future endeavors.

Sincerely,

Frances Beinecke

Cc: Deputy Administrator Bob Perciasepe

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